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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In New York, prices were unchanged when compared to Wednesday's values. Trade sentiment was steady entering the post-holiday weekend. Demand ranged light to very good, mostly moderate to fairly good. Supplies were adequate to closely balanced. Breaking stock offerings were tight to sufficient for the light to moderate demand. Light type hens were adequate to about adequate for a moderate demand. Slaughter schedules were light due to the Thanksgiving Day holiday.

Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A and Grade A, White eggs in cartons, cents per dozen.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment remained steady. Retail demand was reported as ranging from light to very good, usually fairly good for Thanksgiving holiday orders. Food service sales were light to mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate to instances close for immediate delivery. Central States breaking prices were unchanged. Demand was mostly light to instances moderate. Offerings were tight to adequate and were slightly more available than earlier reported. Floor stocks were closely balanced to adequate. Planned schedules for next week were fulltime. Trade sentiment was mostly steady.

Prices delivered to warehouse:

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	90-99	93-96
LARGE	89-98	91-94
MEDIUM	67-76	69-72

Prices delivered to store door:

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	97-105	98-100
LARGE	95-103	96-98
MEDIUM	73-81	74-76

Prices paid to producers:

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	71-80	75
MEDIUM	49-55	53
SMALL	23-27	

Midwest Area: IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, western NY & western PA.

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand was moderate to very good, usually fairly good to good for Thanksgiving holiday orders. Food service movement was light to mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate to at times closely balanced. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was light to instances moderate. Offerings were tight to adequate and were noted as more available than earlier in the week. Floor stocks were in close balance to adequate. Planned schedules for next week were fulltime. Trade sentiment was mostly steady.

Prices delivered to warehouse:

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	99.5-108	101-104
LARGE	98.5-107	100-103
MEDIUM	71.5- 80	73- 76

South Central Area: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, MN, OK & TX.

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail and distributive demand ranged light to occasionally good, mostly light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to close for present needs. Breaking stock offerings were limited for the usually moderate demand. Light type hens offerings were adequate to about adequate for light processing schedules.

Prices delivered to warehouse:

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	95-109	98-102
LARGE	92-106	97-101
MEDIUM	68-81	73-75

Northeast Area: CT, DC, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, eastern PA, RI, northern VA, & VT.

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady. Demand was light to very good, mostly moderate to fairly good. Supplies were sufficient to close. Breaking stock offerings were limited for the usually moderate demand. Light type hens were adequate to about adequate for a moderate demand. Slaughter schedules were light due to the Thanksgiving Day holiday.

Prices delivered to warehouse:

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	85.25-104	98-101
LARGE	83.25-102	96-99
MEDIUM	56.25-78	71-75

Southeast Area: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN & southern VA.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged on all sizes when compared to Wednesday's values. Trade sentiment was steady entering the weekend. Post holiday demand ranged light to instances good. Supplies were in close balance to to adequate for trade requirements.

Prices delivered to store door:

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	106-110
LARGE	104-108
MEDIUM	80-84

WESTERN Prices were unchanged. The market tone was unsettled with asking prices for next week unchanged throughout the region. Retailer demand slowed. Offerings ample.

CALIFORNIA Prices unchanged. The market tone was unsettled with asking prices for next week unchanged on all sizes. Retailer demand slowed. Offerings ample and discounted. Small benchmark price 91.

CALIFORNIA: Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	141
EXTRA LARGE	140
LARGE	134
MEDIUM	111

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Prices to consumers major chains, metropolitan area, USDA Grade AA and Grade AA, white eggs in cartons, cents per dozen.

	RANGE
JUMBO	279-319
EXTRA LARGE	249-319
LARGE	199-289
MEDIUM	189-245

Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade AA and Grade AA, white eggs in cartons, delivered store door, cents per dozen.

	RANGE
JUMBO	125-129
EXTRA LARGE	123-128
LARGE	121-124
MEDIUM	98-101

CENTRAL REGION BREAKING STOCK Prices unchanged. Offerings were tight to adequate although reported as becoming slightly more available with current bids to buy at lower prices than previously reported. Demand was mostly light to instances moderate as most breakers worked from regular commitments and company owned production. Floor stocks closely balanced to adequate. Schedules were full-time for next week. Trade sentiment mostly steady.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	39-45	42-43
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	30-37	32-34
CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, WI		

EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK Prices were unchanged when compared to early week trading. Trade sentiment was steady, but buyers were cautiously watching further market developments. Offerings were still limited, and only from regular suppliers. Demand was usually moderate. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 18-Nov-2006 were 1% higher than the previous week, but 5% less than a year ago.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	41-46	43-45
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	29-36	31-34
EASTERN STATES AREA: AL, CT, DE, FL, GA, KY, ME, MD, MA, MS, NH, NJ, NY, NC, PA, RI, SC, TN, VT, VA, WV		

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION-W/E 18-Nov-06
(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,249,612	32,289	10,430	5,403	1,949	3,992
PW	1,248,148	32,875	10,229	5,497	1,999	4,258
LY	1,275,700	31,963	11,183	5,975	2,042	4,425
% PW	0%	-2%	2%	-2%	-3%	-6%
% LY	-2%	1%	-7%	-10%	-5%	-10%
2006	59,491,840	1,473,481	548,473	290,144	126,143	200,107
2005	60,509,254	1,436,895	585,088	313,396	133,886	204,386
% YTD	-2%	3%	-6%	-7%	-6%	-2%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Included)	41.70	42.35	41.97
Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Excluded)	38.51	38.94	38.51

IN-LINE PRODUCTION (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include a limited amount of off-line source material)

	Cases Broken		Liquid whole	
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	607,321	47.3%	17,446	52.0%
PREVIOUS WEEK	596,343	47.8%	17,380	52.9%
LAST YEAR	512,430	40.2%	14,659	45.9%

NATIONAL LIQUID Pasteurized whites and salted yolk were too few to report. Trade sentiment was generally steady for all liquid products. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate for whole egg and whites and usually adequate for yolk. Demand was fairly good for whole egg, fairly good to good for whites, and moderate for yolk. Breaking stock prices were unchanged when compared to the past week's reported prices.

Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00 AM non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	CHANGE FROM LAST WEEK
WHOLE	24	33.5-38.5	37.06	2.20
WHITES	33	31-34	31.73	.28
YOLKS	10	42.5-45	43.55	.43

CENTRAL REGION FROZEN Frozen whole egg ranged 1 cent higher with whites unchanged to 1 cent lower. Salted yolk ranged 1 cent lower with sugared yolk irregular. Trade sentiment was steady for all frozen products. Demand was seasonally moderate to instances fairly good for whole egg and whites with frozen yolk demand reported as fairly good to good. Offerings were usually adequate for needs. Breaking stock prices were unchanged when compared to the previous week's reported prices. Wholesale selling prices (cents per lb. in 30 lb. containers) - TRUCKLOTS

	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	51-56	51-53
WHITES	47-54	49-51
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	56-64	56-59
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	53-56	53-54

EASTERN REGION FROZEN Mostly prices were unchanged on whole, irregular on sugar yolks, unchanged to higher on whites, and higher on salt yolks when compared to a week earlier. Demand was only about moderate. Supplies were clearing but still sufficient for trade needs. Undertone was at least steady on most items. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 18-Nov-2006 were 3% less than the previous week, and 8% lower than year ago.

Wholesale selling prices (cents per lb. in 30 lb. containers) LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)

	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE
WHOLE	46-56	48-54	55-60
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		
WHITES	43-54	48-51	51-58
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	53-64	55-59	61-70
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	50-56	53-55	57-69

(/) - Whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN Prices unchanged. Prices unchanged. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 11/18 was 14% more than the previous week. Demand seasonally good. Freezer stocks generally adequate.

Wholesale selling prices, FOB Shipping point (cents per lb. in 30 lb. containers) LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)

	RANGE
WHOLE	55-59
WHITES	51-54
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	61-64
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	58-61

NATIONAL DRIED Mostly prices were higher on whole, irregular on yolks, unchanged to lower on albumen, and unchanged on blends when compared to a week earlier. Demand was seasonal but still fair. Offerings were usually adequate, but clearing. Trade sentiment was generally reported as steady on yolks with some improvement, fully steady to firm on whole and at least steady to occasionally firm on albumen. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 18-Nov-2006 were 3% less than the previous week, and 5% lower than a year ago. The total year to date production on dried eggs produced were 6% lower than a year earlier.

Wholesale selling prices, dollars per lb., in cont., Trucklot and LTL volumes.

WHOLE	1.75-2.10	MOSTLY 1.79-1.92
YOLKS	1.25-1.55	MOSTLY 1.30-1.37
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	3.35-3.80	MOSTLY 3.50-3.65
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.35-1.55	MOSTLY 1.45-1.50

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES* WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR NOV 17, 2006-NOV 23, 2006

CURRENT LOADS 41.75 FUTURE LOADS 54.50 TOTAL LOADS 96.25

SE								SC							
NE				MW				NW				SW			
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	76.50	76.50	77.25	78.83	--	76.71	30.25	GNR W 1	--	85.04	--	--	--	--	13.25
GNR W 2	--	79.00	--	--	--	--	1.00	GL W J	61.50	--	--	--	--	70.75	4.00
GNR W 3	--	--	53.50	57.67	--	--	3.00	GL W XL	--	74.67	--	79.00	--	72.76	10.75
GL W J	--	--	--	--	57.00	--	2.00	GL W LG	--	93.50	--	98.00	--	77.06	21.25
GL W XL	--	87.93	88.00	86.20	64.06	71.00	29.25	GL W MD	47.42	56.00	--	75.00	--	62.08	13.25
GL W LG	--	90.00	--	85.79	66.75	90.03	42.75	GL BR LG	--	--	--	97.00	99.00	107.75	2.25
GL W MD	--	--	61.50	64.00	53.86	59.80	14.00								
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	109.00	.25								
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	85.00	--	1.50								
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	44.00	--	10.00								
NRBS - 45	--	--	--	--	41.00	44.00	3.00								
NRBS - 36	--	--	--	30.00	25.00	--	1.00								

*Weighted average prices are listed for various classes priced by origin and/or destination for 6 regions. The loads column reflects total loads reported and includes loads with prices to be determined later. NRBS categories represent net weight-material may or may not be included.

Load movement represents total movement within 6 regions.

LIGHT TYPE HENS

CENTS PER HEAD, GENERALLY FOR REMOVAL
WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS
(INCLUDES HANDLING, FREIGHT AND ANY OTHER
CHARGES, WEIGHTS AVERAGE ABOUT 3.50 POUNDS)

EASTERN REGION LIGHT LIVE HENS Prices were generally unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was mostly moderate. Offerings were adequate to about adequate for current trade needs. Processing schedules were light due to the Thanksgiving Day holiday. Trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	6-12	9-11

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HENS Negotiations were TFEWR. Demand was light for spent fowl. Schedules were reduced. Dressed sales were slow. Costs of disposal were about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HENS Removal prices remain unchanged. Demand was moderate to fairly good with offerings tight to adequate. Schedules normal for next week. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	4.5-11	6-9

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HENS Holiday plant schedules light. Offerings adequate.

COMBINED REGIONAL SHELL EGGS

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, White eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	100.00	99.00	74.00
SOUTHEAST	99.50	97.50	73.00
MIDWEST	94.50	92.50	70.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	102.50	101.50	74.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	99.27	97.79	73.05

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Trading on heavy canners was too few to report; generally unchanged on lights when compared to the previous week. Offerings of both light and heavy canners were at least sufficient for current needs with most available supplies of heavy canners being used internally. Demand was seasonally fair to moderate. Processing schedules were noted light due to the Thanksgiving Day holiday. The undertone was steady.

Cents per Pound, Current Negotiations, Without Freight Cost

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
18-28 MAJORITY 23.5-24	TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

Cents per Pound, Current Negotiations, Freight Cost Included

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
20-29 MAJORITY 25-26	TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

U.S./CANADIAN LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER INSPECTION

W/E 18-Nov-06 (PRELIMINARY)

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,151	1,715	2,866
Last Week	955	1,600	2,555
Same week yr ago	1,427	1,444	2,871
To-date/2006	49,891	68,897	118,788
To-date/2005	66,262	65,436	131,698

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	115	3	118
Last Week	127	0	127
Same week yr ago	244	3	247
To-date/2006	6,868	46	6,914
To-date/2005	11,967	63	12,030

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

Total U.S. Fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,266	1,718	2,984
Last Week	1,082	1,600	2,682
Same week yr ago	1,671	1,447	3,118
To-date/2006	56,759	68,943	125,702
To-date/2005	78,229	65,499	143,728

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch

INSPECTED EGG PRODUCTS-**U.S. & CANADA IMPORT/EXPORT TRADE****U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending November 11, 2006		Year-To-Date	
TYPE	2006	2005 1/	2006 2/
Liquid	303	357	10,580
Frozen	0	0	172
Dried	20	0	600
Total	323	357	11,352

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending November 11, 2006		Year-To-Date	
TYPE	2006	2005 1/	2006 2/
Liquid	445	73	4,319
Frozen	5	0	899
Dried	0	0	66
Total	450	73	5,284

Inspected Shell Eggs**U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending November 11, 2006		Year-To-Date	
TYPE	2006	2005 1/	2006 2/
Jumbo	0	0	150
Extra Large	2,010	1,670	79,611
Large	2,396	2,360	153,650
Medium	2,454	892	78,366
Ungraded	2,880	12,114	212,738
Misc	0	0	6,975
Total	9,740	17,036	531,490

1/ Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

2/ Includes revisions to previous week(s).

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch.

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - Selected Centers

(Incl. Gov't Stocks) (IN THOUSANDS)

		Frozen Eggs/LBS	Turkeys/LBS	Processed other Poultry/LBS
AM	11/20/06	3,163	44,603	64,354
AM	11/01/06	3,262	85,621	63,338
CHG		-99	-41018	1016
PCT CHG		-3%	-48%	2%

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE REPORT

(In Units of 1,000)

	30-Sep	30-Sep	31-Oct	31-Oct
FROZEN EGGS:	2005	2006	2005	2006
Whites	2,908	2,617	2,940	2,468
Yolks	1,217	1,305	1,130	1,183
Whole & Mixed	11,198	11,826	10,193	9,015
Unclassified	3,514	3,290	3,356	3,607
Total Frozen Eggs	18,837	19,038	17,619	16,273

Source: USDA/NASS

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts From Producers) W/E18-NOV-2006 **CASES PERCENT CHANGE FROM**

REGIONS	(IN THOUS)	PW	LY
North Atlantic	192.4	4	-6
East North Central	664.0	3	0
West North Central	299.3	0	-3
South Atlantic	202.6	2	2
South Central	65.9	7	-2
West	206.8	5	3
Total	1631.0	3	-1

Matched Plants reporting 82 82

Areas Covered: North Atlantic (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MD,DE)

East North Central (WI,IL,MI,OH,IN) West North Central (IA,MN,MO,KS,SD)

South Atlantic (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY) South Central (TN,AL,AR,MS,OK)

West (CA,CO,WA,OR,UT)

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS

W/E 18-NOV-2006	CW	LW	PERCENT CHANGE	
Selected	(In Thousands)		LW	LY
Consuming Centers				
Atlanta	37.8	31.9	19	24
Boston	3.4	2.9	17	6
Chicago	85.7	82.6	4	-21
Detroit	17.0	22.9	-26	-19
Kansas City	4.9	4.5	9	0
Los Angeles	107.5	101.5	6	-9
New Orleans	6.3	5.4	17	17
New York	29.8	27.1	10	-7
St. Louis	28.8	21.6	33	22
San Francisco	19.9	18.5	8	-1
Total	341.1	318.9	7	-7
4 Week Moving Avg.	314.0			

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT

Nov 21, 2006

Prices paid per dozen Grade A Brown eggs in cartons delivered store door.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	150	145	97	61
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	142-146	137-141	89-93	54-58
MOSTLY	144-145	139-140	91-92	56-57
RHODE ISLAND	148-153	144-148	96-100	60-64
MOSTLY	148	144	96	60
VERMONT	150	145	95-97	-
MOSTLY	-	-	97	-

CHICKENS AND EGGS**October Egg Production Up Slightly**

U.S. egg production totaled 7.67 billion during October 2006, up slightly from last year. Production included 6.60 billion table eggs, and 1.07 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.00 billion were broiler-type and 67 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during October 2006 averaged 344 million, up slightly from last year. October egg production per 100 layers was 2,231 eggs, down slightly from October 2005.

All layers in the U.S. on November 1, 2006 totaled 344 million, up slightly from last year. The 344 million layers consisted of 288 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 53.2 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.79 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on November 1, 2006, averaged 72.2 eggs per 100 layers, down slightly from November 1, 2005.

Source: USDA/NASS

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